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FM AMEMBASSY KIGALI  
TO SECSTATE WASHDC IMMEDIATE 4571  
INFO AMEMBASSY NAIROBI

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JOINT STATE/AID MESSAGE

AID/W FOR OFDA AND FFP

STATE FOR AF/C

NAIROBI FOR REDSO/EA

E.O. 11652: N/A  
TAGS: EAID, RW  
SUBJECT: RWANDA FOOD RELIEF

REF: BUCHANAN/CRIGLER TELCON FEB 16

1. FOLLOWING POINTS RESPOND QUESTIONS RAISED REF TELCON:  
A. SUBSTITUTABILITY FSM COMMODITIES: GOAL FSM PROJECT  
IS PRICE STABILIZATION THREE MAIN STAPLE CROPS (BEANS, PEAS,  
SORGHUM). DURING USG FUNDING PHASE ALL EMPHASIS PLACED  
BEAN PRICE STABILIZATION. PROJECT IN PROCESS ACQUIRING  
SUFFICIENT BUFFER STOCK TO EXERT MODERATING INFLUENCE  
TRADITIONAL WIDE FLUCTUATION RETAIL BEAN PRICE. IN LATER  
PHASE PROJECT, STABILIZATION EFFORTS WILL INCLUDE PEAS AND  
SORGHUM, BUT PRESENT LEVEL WORKING CAPITAL/STORAGE  
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FACILITIES WILL NOT PERMIT USE LATTER TWO COMMODITIES.

B. USE FSM BEANS: TEMPTATION TO USE FSM BEANS FOR  
EMERGENCY DISTRIBUTION GREAT. HOWEVER DISTRIBUTION MORE THAN  
1100 MT PRESENT BEAN STOCKS ON EMERGENCY BASIS WOULD PRECLUDE  
MARKET INTERVENTION ON NATIONWIDE SCALE LATER THIS YEAR WHEN  
SEASONAL INFLATIONARY PRESSURES GREATEST. WHILE THERE ALSO  
SOME RISK IN NOT DISTRIBUTING FSM BEANS, SINCE SOME ELEMENTS

GOR PROBABLY CONSIDER BEANS THEIRS FOR ANY USE, SENIOR OFFICIALS  
UNDERSTAND/SUPPORT CONCEPT FSM BUFFER STOCK VERSUS OPROVIA  
STRATEGIC STOCK, AND WE FORESEE NO DIFFICULTIES THIS  
REGARD.

C. EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE AND FSM: EMERGENCY PACKAGE  
OUTLINED KIGALI 119 DESIGNED ASSIST GOR OVERCOME CRITICAL  
PROBLEMS FOOD IMPORTS/DISTRIBUTION IN COMING MONTHS. AS WITH  
USG EFFORTS SAHEL, MISSION/EMBASSY HAVE ATTEMPTED INCLUDE  
ELEMENTS LONG-TERM REFORM WHICH WE HOPE WOULD ALSO REDUCE  
LIKELIHOOD FUTURE REQUESTS EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE ARISING FROM  
LIMITED SHORTAGES ISOLATED AREAS IN COUNTRY. WITH OPROVIA  
CHARGED BY GOR CARRY OUT EMERGENCY DISTRIBUTION, IMMEDIATE  
REHABILITATION ITS VEHICLE FLEET AND REORGANIZATION ITS  
WAREHOUSING, PEST CONTROL, AND DISTRIBUTION PROCEDURES VITAL.  
THE FACT THAT A REORGANIZED, EFFECTIVELY MANAGED OPROVIA  
WOULD CONTRIBUTE SUCCESS FSM PROJECT SHOULD IN NO WAY  
DETRACT FROM ITS ELIGIBILITY RECEIVE EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE NOW.

D. UGANDAN BEANS: FOLLOWING GOR APPROACH, UGANDAN  
CHARGE HAS REQUESTED GOU ADVICE BEAN AVAILABILITY FOR  
DISTRIBUTION IN RWANDA. WILL ADVISE WHEN INFORMATION RECEIVED.

E. BEAN PRICE: OFFICIAL BEAN PRICE EX FARM GATE SET  
AT 20 RWF/KILO.

F. RATION: NUTRITIONAL EXPERTS HAVE SET INDIVIDUAL  
DAILY BEAN/SORGHUMRATION AT TWO HUNDRED GRAMS.

G. POPULATION AFFECTED: ALTHOUGH UNDER REVISION, GOR  
CONTINUES ASSERT 1.7 MILLION PERSONS AFFECTED BY CURRENT  
FOOD SHORTAGE. DONORS BELIEVE THIS ESTIMATE TOO HIGH AND  
UNTIL MORE PRECISE NUMBER ESTABLISHED, EMBASSY USING FIGURE  
OF 500,000. USING ABOVE RATION, DAILY EMERGENCY FOOD  
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REQUIREMENT OF ONE HUNDRED MT NEEDED FOR DISTRIBUTION  
AFFECTED PERSONS. THIS CONSUMPTION ESTIMATE OF COURSE DOES  
NOT INCLUDE BEANS NEEDED FOR IMMEDIATE PLANTING, FOR WHICH  
WE AS YET UNABLE PROVIDE RELIABLE FIGURES.

H. WFP ACTIVITIES: LOCAL REP ADVISED THAT WFP AGREEABLE  
IN PRINCIPLE FURNISH EMERGENCY ASSISTANCE AND IN PROCESS  
DETERMINING NATURE/AMOUNT THAT ASSISTANCE. WILL ADVISE.

2. DECONTROL ON RECEIPT.  
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